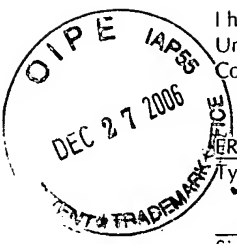


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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the official action dated August 22, 2006, a petition to extend time to respond to which accompanies this response, applicant petitions to amend the above-identified application as appended hereto. The numbered paragraphs in the Remarks are numbered in accordance with the numbered paragraphs in the official action.